



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 14

LCO No. 18

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Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:
(INS)

AN ACT PROHIBITING COPAYMENTS FOR PREVENTIVE CARE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2010*) (a) Notwithstanding any
2 provision of title 38a of the general statutes, no group or individual
3 health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in
4 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general
5 statutes, delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or
6 continued in this state on or after January 1, 2012, shall impose a
7 copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for preventive
8 care services.

9 (b) For the purposes of this section, "preventive care services"
10 means: (1) Annual physicals and periodic health evaluations, including
11 test and diagnostic procedures ordered in connection with routine
12 examinations such as annual physicals; (2) routine prenatal and well-
13 child care; (3) child and adult immunizations; (4) tobacco cessation
14 programs; and (5) obesity weight loss programs. "Preventive care
15 services" do not include any services or benefits to treat an existing
16 illness, injury or condition.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To promote the health of Connecticut residents by prohibiting copayments, deductibles or other out-of-pocket expenses for preventive care services.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]